Industrial disputes regarding coal mines In the Central Labour Department

1113. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased ta state:

(a) what is the, number of industrial disputes raised before the Central Labour Department during the last three-years, year-wise;

(b) what is ihe number of such dispute! which were concerning the coal- mines; and

(c) what is the number of industrial disputes concerning the coal mines which were settled, referred to the, Tribunal, rejected, during the last. three yeare yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI 'JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) The position; regarding the number, of industrial disputes raised before the-Central Industrial ReL. ations Machinery, those concerning, the. coal mines, and those settled, referred to the Tribunals, and declined adjudication in coal mines during the last three years, year-wise is given in the statement attached.

Statement

Year	Number of industrial disputes raised before the C.I.R.M.	Number of Industrial disputes concerning coal mines	Number of industrial, disputes in coal, mines		
			Settled adjudi-	Referred to ajdudi-cation	Declined cation
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	10,,421	3,694	445	300**	340**.
	8,222*'	2,634	237	453**	353****
	10,098*	3,623*	462	.609** •	486**

*Provisional **These also include industrial disputes received during the previous years

Non-supply of pig iron due to decreased production in the Bokaro steel plant

1114. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOW-, DA.: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES'be pleased to utate :

(a) whether it is a fact that production . of pig iron has declined sharply in the Bokaro Steel Plant during the last two years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that various consumers who are allotted pig iron by the plant, are unable to get the material in time as a result thereof;

(c) if so, what are the details in. this regard;

(d) whether a Government controlled. unit viz., the Saran Engineering Compa ny Limited, Saran, District Marhowrah, is also not getting the monthly allotment at the rate of 250 M.T.; and

(c) if so, what are the details in. this regard and "steps being taken to ensure that the said company and Other consumers get the materials in time ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL TN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES

(SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA) - (a) No[illegible]

(b) and (c) No, Sir. Pig iron is supplied to consumers iri accordance with the ' distribution guidelines laid down by the Joint Plant Committee. No allotment is' done by the plants themselves,

(d) and .(e). There is no system of monthly allotment of pig iron to any unit.
. Under the present guidelines, supplies are made to individual units prorated to their entitlement which is worked out on the basis of past three! years offtake subject to the party register-" ing it$_s$ demand. TThe intention is to ensure eqtftable distribution to the extent possible. The-company was offered 200 tonnes of pig iron' in 1987-88. However, they paid for and lifted only, 150 tonnes.

To the extent where the demand of the customer exceeds their allocation, they are permitted to import the material.

Decline in production of pepper, ginger etc.

1115. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the pro-, duction of pepper, ginger, turmeric, chillies declined between 1985-86 and 1986-. 87; . -

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that India's productivity of pepper was 273 Kg. compared to 1605 Ker. a hectare in Brazil and 3173 in Malasiya where similar agroclimatic conditions prevail;

(i) if sc, what tire th; ie:isocs therefor and the steps taken by Government to introduce better agro-techniques; • and

(e) the area in hectares of pepper gar dens in the Country and the area already

taken up for rejuvenation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT ' OF AGRICULTURE' AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM* LAL YADAV) :• (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reasons' for lower production are,generally the adverse weather conditions, low productivity in case of* pepper, decrease in • area in case' of ginger, chillies and turmeric.

(c) Productivity of pepper in India is low compared to other countries.

(d) The reasons for low productivity of pepper in india are.:

(i) High percentage of unproductive-and. senile vines;

(ii) Cultivation of pooi yielding va,-rieties;-

(iii) Non-adoption of recommended agronomic practices;and-

(iv) Incidence of pest and diseases.

The steps taken by the Government to introduce better agro-techniques include production and distribution of pepper rooted cutting of high yielding varieties, distribution of input minikits to small and marginal farmers, distribution of sprayers at subsidised rate, laving out and maintenance of pepper demonstration plots-and rehabilitation of existing pepper gardens.

(e)'The total area under pepper in the country was 1.37 lakh hectares in 1986-87. Jt is proposed to rejuvenate 1500 ha. of pepper gardens in the Vllth Five Year Plan.

Sugarcane Price

1116. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether sugarcane prices have been recently announced for the period January-December, 1988;

(b) whether the Sugarcane Board has taken into consideration the.expenses incurred iri the transportation of sugarcane